



— State of —  
**North Dakota**  
*Office of the Governor*

**John Hoeven**  
Governor

PROCLAMATION  
**SEVERE WINTER WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK**  
NOVEMBER 2-6, 2009

**WHEREAS**, North Dakota is vulnerable to various types of severe winter weather, including extremely cold temperatures, dangerous wind chills, ice storms, snowstorms and freezing rain; and

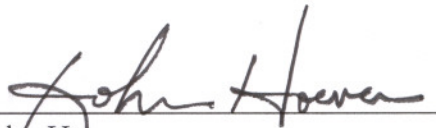
**WHEREAS**, severe winter weather can cause injury and death through hypothermia, frost bite, heart attack, stroke, traffic accidents and other related causes; and

**WHEREAS**, severe winter weather can interrupt electrical and communication services to homes, schools and businesses; and

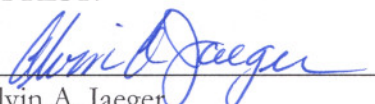
**WHEREAS**, the loss of life and property during the winter months can be greatly reduced if North Dakotans take appropriate preparedness measures before, during and after experiencing severe winter weather; and

**WHEREAS**, preparedness procedures will be highlighted throughout Severe Winter Weather Awareness Week as the North Dakota Department of Emergency Services joins with the National Weather Service, North Dakota Highway Patrol, North Dakota Department of Transportation, North Dakota Game and Fish Department, North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department, North Dakota Fire Marshall's Office and other local emergency management offices to provide winter safety information to citizens throughout the state.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim November 2-6, 2009, **SEVERE WINTER WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK** in the state of North Dakota.

  
John Hoeven  
Governor

ATTEST:

  
Alvin A. Jaeger  
Secretary of State